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## AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRAINING AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF RESIDENT SERVICE COORDINATORS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 8-114d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):
  - (a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall award grants-in-aid to housing authorities, municipal developers and nonprofit corporations operating elderly housing projects pursuant to this part [(1)] to hire resident services coordinators to (1) facilitate conflict resolution between residents, including between seniors and younger residents, (2) establish and maintain relationships with community service providers and link residents to appropriate community services, (3) act as a liaison to assist in problem solving, (4) assist residents of such housing to maintain an independent living status, [(2) to] (5) assess the individual needs of residents of such housing for the purpose of establishing and maintaining support services, [(3) to] (6) provide orientation services to new residents and maintain regular contact with residents of such housing, [(4) to] (7) monitor the delivery of support services to residents of such housing,

- 17 [(5) to] (8) organize resident activities and meetings that promote 18 socialization among all residents, and (9) advocate changes in services 19 sought or required by residents of such housing. [, and (6) to provide 20 mediation and conflict resolution services.] The commissioner shall 21 award grants-in-aid based on demonstration of need and availability 22 of matching funds. A joint application made by more than one housing 23 authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation shall have the 24 same preference as an application made by one housing authority, 25 municipal developer or nonprofit corporation.
  - (b) The employment of resident services coordinators by a housing authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation operating elderly housing projects pursuant to this part shall be considered an allowable expense.
- 30 (c) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development 31 shall be responsible for arranging for monthly meetings of the resident 32 services coordinators for in-service training and information sharing. 33 Training topics shall include, but not be limited to, the health care 34 needs of seniors and persons with disabilities, mediation and conflict 35 resolution, and local and regional service resources.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following			
sections:			
Section 1	July 1, 2005	8-114d	

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